Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 - Expedited Procedure

Serial No.: 09/987,376 Examiner: Stephen E. Jones

## REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 64-80 remain in this application. Claims 1-34 were previously canceled, and Claims 35-63 are now canceled.

Applicant has added new claims 64-80. Applicant submits that the prior art of record does not disclose, teach, or otherwise render unpatentable the combination of features contained therein.

For the above reasons, the foregoing Amendment places the Application in condition for allowance. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that full allowance be granted. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through an interview, he/she is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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